





## Intimation.

## EYE-SIGHT.

## NOTICE

MR. N. LAZARUS, Oculist-Optician, of LONDON and CALCUTTA, may be consulted for SPECTACLES at the HONGKONG HOTEL (Room No. 139).

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A great proportion of cataracts and diseases affecting those advancing in life occur to those having some deficiency in the construction of the eye—the many years of "Eye Strain" ending in serious forms of disease. Glasses specially adapted in youth to those requiring them save and preserve the sight.

Constantly recurring headaches, spells of dimness when reading, weak eyes, the letters running together; any of these symptoms indicate a deficiency in the form of the eye requiring Glasses only to correct and cure.

Mr. LAZARUS supplies his SPECTACLES only after testing the sight.

## ADVICE FREE.

HONGKONG HOTEL,  
(Room No. 139).  
Hongkong, 3rd November, 1896. [1697]

Today's  
Advertisements.

## THEATRE ROYAL

Through the kind Courtesy of the  
ST. ANDREW'S BALL COMMITTEE.

## VANDERLIP'S ENTERTAINERS

AND  
ELSIE ADAIR  
WILL GIVE A PERFORMANCE  
TONIGHT  
(SATURDAY), the 28th November, 1896,  
IN THE  
THEATRE ROYAL.

SEATS can be booked at W. ROBINSON & Co.'s Music Warehouse.  
Popular Prices:—\$2 and \$1.  
Hongkong, 28th November, 1896. [1828]

## BRITISH MERCANTILE MARINE

## OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION.

## HALF-YEARLY MEETING.

MEMBERS are reminded that the  
ELEVENTH HALF-YEARLY MEETING  
will be held in the ROOMS, PRYIA EAST, on  
TUESDAY (1st December) at 9 P.M.

All MEMBERS who can possibly do so are  
specially requested to be present.  
W. CANDLER,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 28th November, 1896. [1839]

## NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

## (FLORIO &amp; RUBATINO UNITED COMPANIES)

## STEAM FOR

## SINGAPORE, PENANG AND BOMBAY.

Having connection with Company's Mail  
Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID,  
MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and  
GENOA.

## ALSO

## VENICE AND TRIESTE, ALL MEDITERRA-

## NEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE AND

## SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to

## CALLAO.

Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN  
GULF and BAGDAD.

## ALSO

## BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE,

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## THE Steamship

## "BISAGNO."

Captain Mancini, will be despatched as above on  
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At BOMBAY the Steamers are discharging in  
VICTORIA DOCK.

For Further Particulars regarding Freight and  
Passage, apply to  
CARLOWITZ & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 28th November, 1896. [1837]

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

## LIMITED.

## FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

## THE Company's Steamship

## "HAITAN."

Captain J. S. Roach, will be despatched for the  
above Ports on TUESDAY, the 1st December,  
at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 28th November, 1896. [1836]

## FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND

## CALCUTTA.

## THE Steamship

## "CATHERINE APCAR."

Captain J. G. O'Brien, will be despatched for the  
above Ports on FRIDAY, the 4th December, at  
Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 28th November, 1896. [1838]

## NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

## FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

## THE 100 A. 7 Iron 4-mast British Barque.

"MATTERHORN,"  
Captain J. Williams, will soon be ready to load  
for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.  
For Freight, apply to  
MELCHERS & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 28th November, 1896. [1840]

## PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

## TO APPEAR SHORTLY.

## "SPORT AND GOSSIP,"

## FOUNDED BY "DAYBREAK."

A WEEKLY NEWSPAPER, printed on  
every SATURDAY EVENING and published by  
a Professional Journalist, and devoted to RACING,  
HUNTING, THEATRICALS, FOOTBALL, CRICKET,  
TENNIS, ROWING, ATHLETICS, GOLF, SWIM-  
MING, YACHTING, SHOOTING, GOSSIP on all  
topics and GENERAL SPORTS and PASTIMES in  
SHANGHAI, the CHINA PORTS, and at HOME.  
All communications regarding advertisements,  
etc., should be addressed to  
The Publishers,  
"SPORT & GOSSIP,"  
c/o North-China Daily News,  
Shanghai, 10th November, 1896. [1868]

Today's  
Advertisements.TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!  
ELITE SKATING RINK,  
AND ALL THAT THE WORDS IMPLY,  
DUDELL STREET.

Afternoon Sessions—from 4 to 6 P.M.  
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## NAVAL AND MILITARY NIGHTS

## EVERY WEDNESDAY.

The HONGKONG REGIMENTAL BAND  
will be in attendance.

PRICES:—Skates and Admission ..... \$1.00  
Admission ..... 50

N.B.—The Management reserve the right of  
refusing Admission.

SAM MARKS,  
Proprietor.

WAIT and WATCH the ADVENT of the  
FANCY DRESS CARNIVAL.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1896. [1796]

## Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &  
COMPANY, LIMITED,  
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,  
HONGKONG.

## AERATED WATERS.

## SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

## SODA WATER.

## LEMONADE.

## GINGER ALE.

## SARSAPARILLA.

## RASPBERRYVADE, &amp;c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are  
made under the constant supervision of a duly  
qualified English Chemist and will bear com-  
parison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSERS and  
other Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the  
Manager.

Hongkong, 28th Nov., 1896. [1427]

## NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is requested that all communications relating to Subscriptions,  
Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, Hongkong  
Telegraph" and not to the Editor.

Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and  
not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied  
by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for  
publication, but as evidence of good faith.

While the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always  
be open for the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions  
affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that  
the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for  
opinions thus expressed.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,  
LIMITED.

## ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES  
AND  
SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House,  
bought direct at first hand, imported in wood  
and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all inter-  
mediate profits, and enabling us to supply the  
best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on  
Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month  
before use. When required for drinking at  
once it should be ordered to be decanted at  
the DISPENSARY before being sent out.

SHERRY—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner  
Wines of very superior Vintages. All are  
true Xeres Wines.

CLARET—Our Claret, including the lowest  
Prices, are guaranteed to be the genuine  
product of the juice of the grape and are not  
artificially made from raisins and currants,  
as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be  
pure COGNAC, the difference in price being  
merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKEY—All our Whiskey is of excellent  
quality and of greater age than most brands  
in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY  
marked "E" is universally popular, and is  
pronounced by the best local connoisseurs  
to be superior to any other brand in the  
Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our WINES and SPIRITS  
to be genuine when bought direct from us in the  
Colony or from our authorized Agents at the  
Coast Ports.

## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO., LD.

## THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 17th September, 1896.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1896.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Most Europeans resident in the Far East  
have at one time or another been incom-  
veniented and annoyed by the discom-  
fort arising from the contraction of some  
skin disease, often *shock* itch. It be-  
came a somewhat serious matter at  
last, and so, after long reflection,  
public wash-houses were built at  
Wanchai with a view to improving  
matters generally. The Chinese *shock*  
took apparently little interest in the matter,  
only a very small number renting the  
wash-houses, the majority carrying on  
their business "all the same before," and  
this being so, it is not surprising to find that  
the dangers of infection spread through the  
medium of the native wash-houses is just  
now attracting some attention in India, and  
the Calcutta *Statesman* of the 11th instant  
has some very pertinent remarks on the  
subject. "Not merely the garments which  
we wear," says our contemporary,  
"but the cloths which are used in our cook-  
rooms and sculleries, are washed promiscu-  
ously, for the most part in stagnant  
water in which the same operation has  
been performed daily for years, and, in  
many cases, probably, for generations,  
and which is liable to be pol-  
luted in a hundred other ways, with-  
out the slightest step being taken to  
change or purify it, to say nothing  
of the notoriously insanitary conditions  
under which the clothes are housed, for  
days together, by the washermen. Apart  
altogether from the formidable danger  
which such a system must necessarily  
involve in the presence of serious epidemic  
disease of an infectious kind, it is unques-  
tionable that this is a chronic cause of the  
spread of a variety of contagious ailments  
of a less serious, but nevertheless of  
a highly inconvenient, and some of  
them of a very obstinate, character." It  
is pointed out, too, that diseases such as  
cholera and enteric fever, not contagious  
in the ordinary sense, may easily be  
spread by means of the faulty system of  
washing.

In the absence of public wash-houses  
in Calcutta an alternative remedy is  
proposed in disinfection of the "wash" after  
it comes from the *shock*. "We could,"  
the *Statesman* urges, "have at least public  
ovens in which clothes could be expedi-  
tiously and perfectly disinfected by heat  
for a trifling fee, and which could be  
erected at comparatively small cost in a  
few weeks. Indeed, the usefulness of such  
institutions is so obvious that we do not  
see why, if the Municipality should decline  
to provide them, private enterprise should  
not step in and supply the defect." The  
admirable system adopted by the New York  
Board of Health is described as being  
best fitted for the purpose. It is  
simply an oven with double walls,  
connected with a steam boiler, so that not  
only can it be heated by steam admitted  
between the walls, when dry heat only is  
required, but, if necessary, steam can be  
blown directly into the oven and wet heat  
thus applied to its contents. The clothes  
are introduced into the oven in an iron  
cage, running on wheels, and, if neces-  
sary, superheated steam can be used.  
The system is attended by no risk of  
damage to the clothes. Possibly Euro-  
peans resident in the Far East would be  
glad to avail themselves of some such  
preventive measures as to obviate the danger  
of contracting disease through the "wash."  
Anyway, something should be done, for  
our laundries are a disgrace, the *shock* is master  
of the situation, and the Government  
does not seem inclined to "induce" him  
to carry on his business in a proper  
manner.

## REUTER'S MESSAGES.

## THE PLAGUE IN BOMBAY.

LONDON, November 26th.

The bubonic plague in Bombay is increasing.

## THE TRANSVAAL.

The Transvaal Volksraad has decided that no  
foreigner shall be admitted into the country with-  
out a passport and without being able to show  
that he is able to support himself.

## THE EGYPTIAN ARMY.

The Egyptian Army is to be increased by four  
Battalions of Infantry, two Squadrons of  
Cavalry and one Battery of Artillery.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Swift* arrived here this afternoon from  
Swatow.

The seductive pleasures of a gambling game  
resulted in three boys being ordered by Captain  
Hastings, to-day, to receive three strokes each  
with a rattan.

The Mission steam-launch *Day Spring* will  
call alongside any vessel hoisting the answering  
pennant, between 9 and 10.30 a.m., on Sunday,  
to convey men ashore to the 11 o'clock service  
returning about 12.30 p.m.

A MARRIED woman named Ho Ut Wah, aged  
30, was charged to-day at the Magistrate's court  
with having a quantity of opium unlawfully in her  
possession. In the absence of a reasonable  
explanation she was fined \$200; in default three  
months' gaol.

The new bi-monthly, *Odd & Ends*,  
published by Mr. Braga, was criticised very  
favourably by the *North China Daily News*  
the other day, and now we find it stated in the  
*Mercury* that "*Odd & Ends* is the rather  
taking title of an attractive little magazine  
conducted by J. P. Braga and published bi-  
monthly at Hongkong. The illustrations are  
very good. We congratulate the editor, and  
trust his ventures may prove entirely successful."

We are indebted to the courtesy of Mr. W. G.  
Bentley, Bandmaster of the West York, for the  
information that the excellent band of this  
regiment will play every Sunday and Wednes-  
day—on Sundays in the Public Gardens and on  
Wednesdays at Murray Barracks.

The discovery by the Calcutta Customs authori-  
ties of the importation of large quantities of  
imitation whisky from Germany has created a  
great sensation in the trade in Calcutta. About  
one hundred and forty cases of the spirit were  
seized by the Custom-house officers there.

The *Mercury* says:—Expectation waits a tip-  
pee for the first number of *Sport and Gossip*  
promised by the "Great Unknown"—Daybreak.  
Especially amongst the younger sections of the  
community, the hope is strong that at last  
Shanghai may produce something worth reading.

MR. ERICH GEORG reports as follows that they  
sold during the past week at \$13.10 to \$13.15 for  
ordinaries, and at \$3.90 for preferences, at  
which rates the market closes strong. There is  
nothing important to report from the mine,  
excepting that Mr. Blamey, in a letter dated 9th  
instant, is sanguine of obtaining a fair crushing  
for the present month.

The site acquired at Shanghai by a Japanese  
company on which it was proposed to erect a  
cotton spinning factory, is shortly to be sold, and  
in view of the land boom at Shanghai it is ex-  
pected that a profit of 50,000 yen will be realized.  
Progress is being made with the company's  
factory at Higo and it is hoped to start business  
in April.—*Kobe Chronicle*.

A CELESTIAL disciple of Bill Sykes, named  
Chan Fook, aged 30, and of no occupation,  
burgled No. 14 Jubilee St. in the small hours this  
morning and looted \$14 worth of clothing. He  
managed to get into the hands of a Sikh police-  
man a little later on and having seen Captain  
Hastings this morning he will be engaged in less  
hazardous labour for the ensuing four months.

A MEMBER of Parliament who has seen the  
notorious Jabez Balfour in gaol, says that the  
"Liberator" has adapted himself to his new  
surroundings. When the M.P. caught a glimpse  
of him he was busy stitching in the boot shop,  
and though he was much thinner than of yore  
he seemed none the worse for his enforced  
industry. The unaccustomed labour made his  
fingers sore at first, but he is now quite at home  
with his shoemaker's tools.

In the course of a speech delivered at the annual  
prize distribution at Queen's College last  
February His Excellency the Governor said he  
would give two prizes of \$50 and \$25 respectively  
to the two Chinese boys, educated at Queen's  
College, who should write the best and second  
best essays on "The Progress of the British  
Empire in the last fifty years." Seven boys  
promptly entered for the competition. The  
judges were the Governing Body of the institu-  
tion and they awarded the first prize to Li Ut  
and the second to Sin Cheung. We now hear  
that at a private interview at Government House  
to-day His Excellency presented the successful  
candidates with cheques for the above-named  
amounts.

THERE was a sound of revelry in the air in  
Duddell St. last night when Mr. Sam Marks  
opened his Victoria Hall Skating Rink, and  
probably there's a feeling of soreness about a  
good many gentlemen's limbs to-day. Soon  
after the doors were opened the Rink was  
well filled and its pretty appearance evoked  
much admiration. At first only those  
who felt that they could gyrate with safety and  
confidence donned the skates, and then less  
skilled ones ventured to cover themselves with  
glory (and bruises). The Hongkong Regi-  
ment's Band supplied excellent music.  
Among the skaters were some who spun along  
with ease, but the novices brought all alike  
to grief, while several erratic performers  
showed a strong inclination to slide under Host  
Farmer's bar counter. There is no doubt  
that skating will be a deservedly popular  
form of winter amusement in Hongkong.

A number of ladies were present, but only  
one essayed a spin-round and she was of the  
few who went through without a fall. To those  
who appreciate pleasant exercise combined with  
any amount of fun, a visit to the Victoria Hall  
Rink can be well recommended.

DR. EDWARD BEDDIE may be thought very little  
of by "Londinese" but that a great American  
daily does not consider him very "small fry" is  
evidenced by the fact that on the eve of the  
great presidential election it caused a represen-  
tative to interview our old friend on the silver  
question in its relation to the Far Eastern trade,  
and so important were his utterances that the  
whole interview was promptly wired to  
Philadelphia and immediately published in the  
*Public Ledger*, filling a column and a half  
of that influential journal. In introducing  
the subject the *Ledger* says:—"Dr. Edward  
Beddie, ex-Consul to Amoy, China, and who  
has had large experience in an opportunity  
for the study of economic conditions in China,  
India, Japan and Egypt, is spending several  
days in Washington. He is known in the State  
Department as one of the ablest contributors  
during his Consular service to the reports relating  
to trade and economic conditions which that  
Department has for years past been publishing  
for the benefit of commerce. Dr. Beddie is an  
earnest opponent of silver monometallism. He  
declares that the free coinage of silver by the  
United States means nothing else, and he insists  
that the experience of the civilized world, as well  
as conditions existing in the Orient, offer every  
argument against such a change in our monetary  
standard."—Dr. Beddie did his best while in the  
Far East to further the interests of his country-  
men and many of them will therefore be glad to  
hear that there is reason to believe that his  
Government will be long in making good use of  
his unique experience and brilliant attainments.

The Band of the West York Regiment will  
play the following programme in the Gardens  
to-morrow evening, from 9 to 10 o'clock:—

1. The March. 2. The March. 3. The March.  
4. The March. 5. The March. 6. The March.  
7. The March. 8. The March. 9. The March.  
10. The March. 11. The March. 12. The March.

In his *Weekly Share List* issued at noon to-day  
Mr. Erich Georg states business during the  
week under review has been a little slack.  
Rates have not undergone much change, but  
the tendency has been more or less towards  
lower rates, with very few exceptions.

The police are at present making a crusade  
against ricksha coolies who allow their vehicles  
to fall into a disreputable state and do not keep  
themselves tidy. Several offenders were dealt  
with at the Magistrate's court and more prosecu-  
tions are to follow. This is a step that will be  
well appreciated by the public.

THE first meeting of the New Treaty Enforce-  
ment Preparation Committee was held at Tolo  
on the 16th instant. Speaking at the meeting,  
Count Kabayama, the Chairman, said that the  
committee should consider whether the existing  
Laws and Regulations of the Empire were at  
variance with the provisions of the treaties and  
the principles of the law of nations. If so, the  
laws should be amended in conformity with the  
treaties so that, as far as possible, every ob-  
stacle to the enforcement of the new treaties  
should be removed.

We read in *Avenir du Tonkin* that the question  
of damages to be paid to M. Berthoin on  
account of the recent attack on his little factory  
at Hothow has been settled in principle between  
M. Dejeux and the Chinese Government.  
"Settled in principle" is good, seeing that the  
Chinese Government is hardly in a position  
just now to refuse payment of French claims,  
however monstrous. Moreover, it is not a fact  
that some unfortunate local official has had to  
satisfy French demands in this connection and  
also suffer a pretty tall "squeeze" at the hands  
of some mighty Tatar?

AT the City Hall to-day the work of preparation  
for St. Andrew's Ball on Monday night  
was in full swing. The decorations of the ball  
room, vestibule, and balconies will be most  
elaborate, and flags and emblems of all nations  
are being used with good taste in every  
available place. The Scottish lion rampant,  
the thistle, St. Andrew's Cross, and sprigs of  
heather figure extensively in the adornments  
and a fine collection of shrubs and plants, to-  
gether with festoons of evergreens, will help to  
make a charming effect. Two large oil-paintings  
of Sir Walter Scott and "Bobbie" Burns have  
been placed in position on the main staircase.  
Altogether the St. Andrew's Ball this year  
bids fair to be a great success and the various  
committees are sparing no pains to make the  
coming "gathering of the clans" something for  
"bither Scots" to be justly proud of.

THE Lousipolice were informed this morning  
of an attempt to rob a dying man, which, says  
the *China Gazette*, fully illustrates the native  
want of feeling where dollars are concerned. A  
rather opulent native in *articulo mortis* was  
surrounded by a crowd of sycophants to whom he  
was detailing his last wishes. There was a  
parcel of some \$5,000 worth of syces, which he  
intended for some relatives who were absent  
from Shanghai, and of whose whereabouts he  
was not positively sure. This excited the envy  
of others less favoured than his executors and  
beneficiaries, and while the dying man was  
speaking the syces were surreptitiously removed,  
no one knew whither at the time. This was at  
3 o'clock in the morning. The police were  
informed, and a search was instituted, with the  
result that the property was recovered in the  
house of a man who could not give a satisfactory  
account of it, and he was arrested and charged  
accordingly.

WITHIN comparatively recent years there has  
arisen in our judicial system an apparent need  
for evidence bearing upon scientific questions  
requiring a knowledge not ordinarily possessed  
by the lay witness, and which is gradually being  
more and more supplied by the so-called  
"expert." He is paid to testify on behalf of one  
side or the other and not infrequently is retained  
to appear as cases arise in which his  
opinions are desired. That the most flagrant  
abuses in expert testimony have made themselves  
most prominent in criminal cases is perhaps to  
be attributed merely to the notoriety which these  
cases have attained. Whether it be the fault  
of our patent system or of our judicial system,  
the expert has become a prominent factor in all  
recent cases pertaining to patent litigation. It is  
not uncommon to find several experts on one  
side arrayed against perhaps as many more on  
the other, and if each side has been able to  
retain men of practically equal prominence, that  
side having the greater number frequently  
produces no little effect on influencing the  
judicial decision. That men devoted to the interest  
of science should be willing to sell their opinions  
indiscriminately to either contending party, often  
being obliged to so modify their views  
as to make them harmonize with the unscientific  
but legal opinions of the counsel by whom they  
are employed, has become an evil, which has  
justly brought forth criticism, must be acknow-  
ledged, and, unless modified or changed in some  
form, calls for future condemnation also. A  
remedy that has been suggested is to the effect  
that a Judge may call to his assistance any well-  
known professor of science not retained by the  
parties in dispute. The State should provide  
and the Judge should appeal to the State for such  
assistance, so that he might be aided in render-  
ing a decision based upon scientific facts.

## MEMORANDA.

TODAY, 28th November.  
8.30 to 11.45 p.m.—Elite Skating Rink, at  
Victoria Hall, Duddell Street.  
9 p.m.—Vanderlip's Entertainers, at Theatre  
Royal.

TO-MORROW, 29th November.  
American mail due.  
9 to 10 p.m.—The Band of the West York Regi-  
ment will play at the Gardens.

BAN TRAUICHICH, formerly Judge of Fukushu  
Chihō Sabansho, was sentenced to imprison-  
ment with hard labour for one year, and to pay  
a correctional fine of 21 yen in April last for  
bribery. He appealed from the sentence to the  
Nagasaki Court of Appeal, but, says the *Yokohama  
Herald*, the sentence was confirmed on the 7th  
instant.

A REUTER'S telegram from Pretoria says that  
Mr. Barney Barnato has presented President  
Kroger with two magnificent life-sized marble  
lions, which have been erected in front of the  
Presidency. They are a birthday gift from Mr.  
Barnato, and also a souvenir of the Reform  
troubles. Lions! An unfortunate selection,  
indeed, if no joke be intended! But any one  
who knows Mr. Barnato can well believe him  
capable of any jest. Is it at Oom Paul or at  
Great Britain that Barney is poking fun?

HONGKONG DAIRY FARM  
COMPANY, LTD.

A statutory meeting of the Hongkong Dairy  
Farm Company Ltd., was held at the depot,  
Pedder's Hill, at noon to-day. Dr. Noble presided  
and there were also present Messrs. G. Sharp,  
Jas. Walker, G. C. Cox, and W. H. Potts  
(Secretary), Captain Tiltell, and Messrs. Lee Kun  
and Wong Ping Yui.

The Chairman said he had pleasure in inform-  
ing the meeting that up to the present about  
90 per cent. of the shares had been applied for.  
All the Company's produce is being disposed  
of and is meeting with a ready sale. Additional  
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## Intimations.

## CHOICE SELECTION OF SWEETS.

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## CADBURY'S CHOCOLATE CREAMS.

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Captain Bathurst, will be despatched for the  
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Hongkong, 28th November, 1896. [1833]

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Hongkong, 26th November, 1896. [1784]

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Hongkong, 27th November, 1896. [1812]

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Captain Brown, will be despatched as above on  
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Hongkong, 18th November, 1896. [1794]

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1896. [1825]

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1896. [1826]

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Captain Trenn, will sail hence on 22nd January,  
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Hongkong, 26th November, 1896. [1739]

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Hongkong, 19th October, 1896. [1618]

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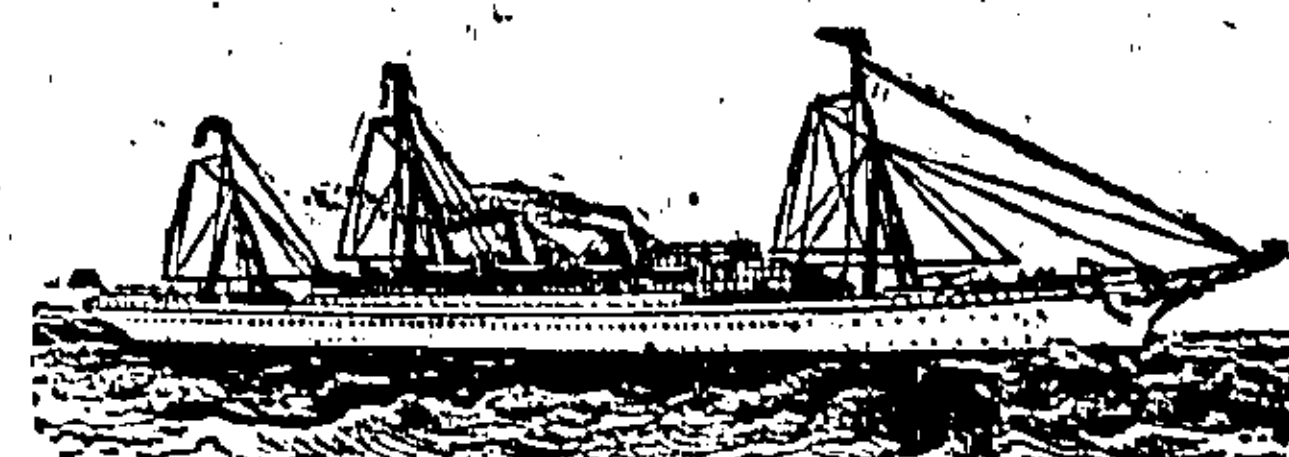
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Hongkong, 9th October, 1896. [1775]

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1896.

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Galle (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) ... Saturday, 19th Dec., at Noon.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) ... Thursday, 7th Jan., at Noon, 1897.

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 26th November 1896 [18]

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Olympia ..... 2,608 | Tuesday | Jan. 19.

Braemar ..... 2,601 | Tuesday | Feb. 9.

Tacoma ..... 2,560 | Tuesday | Mar. 2.

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Hongkong, 17th November, 1896. [4]

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Prins Heinrich ..... Tuesday | 2nd Feb.

Prinzess ..... Tuesday | 2nd March.

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